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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

JULIE JOSEPHS
8401 Lynnewood Road
Philadelphia, PA 19150

vs.

VS.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTERS, :
INC. d/b/a COLEMAN HALL
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COMPLAINT

INTRODUCTION

- 1. Plaintiff, Julie Josephs, by and through her counsel, Marc A. Weinberg, Esquire, seeks a sum in excess of \$100,000.00 in damages upon a cause of action whereof the following is a statement.
- 2. This action for declaratory, monetary and other appropriate relief is brought by Plaintiff, Julie Josephs, to redress intentional and negligent violations by Defendant of rights secured to the Plaintiff by the laws of the United States and the statutory and common law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

JURISDICTION

- 3. Jurisdiction is conferred upon this Court by 28 U.S.C. Section 1331 and Section 1343, 42 U.S.C. Section 2000E-5(f)(3) which provides for original jurisdiction of Plaintiff's claims arising under the laws of the United States and over actions to secure equitable and other relief.
 - 4. This Court has jurisdiction over Plaintiff's claims under the statutory and

common law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania pursuant to supplemental jurisdiction as codified by 28 U.S.C. Section 1367 as Plaintiff was working for Coleman Hall located at 3950 D Street, Philadelphia, PA 19124.

5. Named Plaintiff, Julie Josephs, has exhausted all administrative remedies, having filed timely complaints of age and national origin discrimination, retaliation and wrongful termination/discharge with the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission and U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission as required in the individual statutes and has taken all other necessary action to bring this matter before this Court.

VENUE

- 6. All actions complained of herein have taken place within the jurisdiction of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and involve a Plaintiff who was employed within its jurisdictional limits and a Defendant who performs business within its jurisdictional limits.
- 7. Venue is accordingly invoked pursuant to the dictates of 28 U.S.C. Section 1391(B) and 1391(c).

PARTIES

- 8. Plaintiff, Julie Josephs, is an 49 year old female, whose national origin from Jamaica, and citizen of the United States and a resident of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania residing at 8401 Lynnewood Road, Philadelphia, PA 19150.
- 9. Defendant, Community Education Centers, Inc. d/b/a Coleman Hall is a corporation or other duly authorized legal entity operating in the Commonwealth of

Pennsylvania at 3950 D Street, Philadelphia, PA 19124.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS OF NAMED PLAINTIFF

- 10. In March of 2009, Plaintiff, Julie Josephs, was hired by Defendant as a Senior Counselor.
 - 11. Plaintiff's job duties involved working with inmates coming out of prison.
- 12. In doing that, Plaintiff would make appointments for them with the department of welfare, drug and alcohol counselors, psychologists, probation officers, family courts and other programs.
- 13. Plaintiff's supervisor was Tyshuna Bolton until she was terminated in December of 2010.
 - 14. Thereafter, Plaintiff's supervisor was Andrea Harris, Manager.
- 15. In May of 2010, Plaintiff learned from Nelson Coffield, Derrick Drayton and Shamar Bonds, that Ms. Harris had told them to write up grievances against Plaintiff.
- 16. Ms. Harris did not asked these individuals to write up grievances for any other employees.
- 17. After being informed of these actions, Plaintiff immediately notified Bernice Taylor, Director of Operations.
- 18. Ms. Taylor said she would investigate and shortly after informed these individuals not to do what Ms. Harris had instructed.
- 19. In June of 2010, Ms. Harris ridiculed Plaintiff in front of many others for using "had" instead of "has."
 - 20. Plaintiff reported said behavior to Dawn Lynch, Deputy Director, but nothing was

done and this behavior continued.

- 21. In October of 2010, Dawn Lynch was suspended with intent to dismiss and eventually terminated on December 3, 2010 for falsifying employee write-ups.
- 22. On November 11, 2010, Ms. Harris informed Plaintiff that she was going to be written up because one of her clients (Tyrone Smith) absconded after being set up for an appointment with welfare by the Plaintiff.
 - 23. Plaintiff never received anything in writing for this.
 - 24. Other employees have not been written up for the same instance.
- 25. On December 2, 2010, Plaintiff was verbally informed by John Curl, Director, that she was suspended with intent to dismiss based on writeups from November 11, 2010 (Tyrone Smith) and a written warning that was made on December 10, 2010 for the closing of file folders, which occurred back in July of 2010.
- 26. Mr. Curl had other writeups on his desk related to Plaintiff that she had no knowledge about and that Mr. Curl refused to make copies for Plaintiff.
 - 27. Plaintiff was asked to leave the premises without any explanation.
 - 28. Plaintiff was never told that she was terminated or why she was terminated.
- 29. During Plaintiff's employment, Ms. Harris stated to Plaintiff that she "wouldn't eat goat" and laughed at Plaintiff.
- 30. Ms. Harris would also associate Plaintiff with Bob Marley because Plaintiff was Jamaican.
- 31. On numerous occasions, Ms. Harris criticized foreigners for "coming to the United States with accelerated degrees and trying to take American jobs."
 - 32. During the time period where Plaintiff was interviewing for a director position,

Ms. Harris said "no way the black bitch is going to be her new boss."

- 33. Plaintiff was fully qualified for the new position.
- 34. Plaintiff was not hired for the new position.
- 35. It is believed and therefore averred that Ms. Harris instructed security officers to pull passes for Plaintiff's clients.
- 36. Plaintiff was disciplined multiple times for her passes not being in the computer, despite the fact that several individuals working for the Defendant informed both Plaintiff and management that Ms. Harris was pulling passes herself and instructing others to do so.
- 37. At all times relevant hereto, Plaintiff completed all the job duties required under her title and as management instructed her to do.

COUNT I NATIONAL ORIGIN DISCRIMINATION

- 38. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges paragraphs 1 through 37 as though fully set forth herein.
- 39. Plaintiff alleges that her claim arises under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and 42 U.S.C.A. § 2000e et seq.
- 40. Plaintiff further alleges that Defendant, by and through its employees, subjected Plaintiff to harassing behavior and treated her differently than other employees similarly situated based solely on her national origin.
- 41. Plaintiff further alleges that said actions and inactions taken by Defendant, by and through its employees, were unwanted, unprovoked and unwelcome.
- 42. Plaintiff complained of said behavior to both the offending party and management, but the Defendant took no action.

- 43. Plaintiff further alleges that she belongs to a protected group under Title VII.
- 44. Plaintiff further alleges that the behavior described above, combined with Defendant's institutional refusal to address, correct and/or to prevent Defendant's employees' conduct at any level, made it perfectly clear that Plaintiff's employment was conditioned on accepting it.
- 45. Plaintiff further alleges that Defendant knew or should have known, from the many complaints, that it should have taken reasonable steps to correct the situation, but willfully failed to do so.
- 46. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's acts and/or omissions, the Plaintiff has sustained numerous physical, emotional and psychological injuries, some of which are permanent in nature, including, but not limited to, severe emotional distress, depression, humiliation, embarrassment, and other related physical injuries.
- 47. As a further direct and proximate result of Defendant's actions and/or omissions, the Plaintiff has incurred and will continue to incur substantial expenses for medical care and attention, has suffered and will continue to suffer much physical pain and mental anguish, and has suffered a loss of wages and a loss in her wage-earning capacity.

<u>COUNT II</u> RETALIATION

- 48. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges paragraphs 1 through 47 as if fully set forth herein.
- 49. Defendants violated the anti-retaliation provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. Section 2000E 3a in that it retaliated against the named Plaintiff for having reported Ms. Harris to various members of management within the company.
- 50. Specifically, after Plaintiff reported Ms. Harris to management, she began pulling Plaintiff's passes and instructing others to do so.

51. It is believed and therefore averred that Ms. Harris made up false write-ups against Plaintiff in an attempt to get her fired.

COUNT III COMMON LAW WRONGFUL TERMINATION

- 52. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges paragraphs 1 through 51 as if fully set forth herein.
- 53. The treatment accorded Plaintiff by Defendant, as specified in the preceding paragraphs, violates Commonwealth of Pennsylvania common law, in that such treatment constitutes a wrongful termination resulting in an unlawful withholding of pay and other benefits.
- 54. Defendant's termination of Plaintiff's employment was wrongful, violated public policy and designed to deprive plaintiff of benefits to which she was legally entitled.
- 56. Defendant's excuse and/or reason for terminating Plaintiff's employment is simply a pretext for the actual reasons which are both wrongful and illegal.
- 57. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendant's actions and inactions, Plaintiff is being denied pay and benefits due to her.
- 58. She has suffered and continues to suffer significant losses in the form of lost pay, lost pension benefits, lost health insurance, lost life insurance, lost earned but unused vacation pay, personal and professional humiliation, mental and emotional distress, and damage to her physical health and well-being.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Court:

1. Enter a declaratory judgment that Defendant acted as complained of herein;

- 2. Award to Plaintiff punitive and exemplary damages against Defendant in an adequate and proper monetary amount;
- 3. Award to Plaintiff damages for emotional distress, humiliation and loss of self esteem, the loss of life's pleasures and a loss of her ability to provide for herself and her family;
- 4. Grant the above-named Plaintiff liquidated and consequential damages in accordance with appropriate state and federal statutes;
- 5. Grant to Plaintiff prejudgment interest in an appropriate amount;
- 6. Grant to Plaintiff costs, disbursements and reasonable attorney fees;
- 7. Grant to Plaintiff such other relief as this Honorable Court deems just and proper under the circumstances of this case

Respectfully submitted, SAFFREN & WEINBERG

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